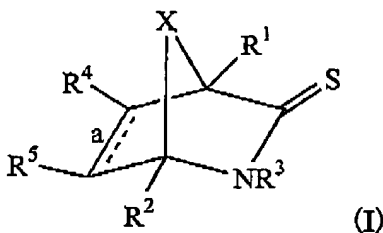


AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the Abstract of the Disclosure with the following:

A composition ~~comprising~~ containing: (a) from 0.1% to 20% of at least one bicyclic thioamide of formula I:



wherein X is O, S, NR⁶ or CR⁷R⁸; R¹, R², R⁴, R⁵, R⁷ and R⁸ independently are hydrogen, alkyl, alkenyl, aryl or aralkyl; R³ and R⁶ independently are hydrogen, alkyl, alkenyl, aryl, aralkyl, alkanoyl or aroyl; and bond "a" is a single or double bond; and (b) a lubricating oil.